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1. Delivered to the offices of the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate a letter from the DCI transmitting proposed amendments to the CIA Act. Also delivered to the offices of the Senate and House Armed Services Committees letters to the Chairmen of those committees, enclosing copies of the legislation and the transmittal letters. I discussed the legislative proposals briefly with Mr. Smart, Chief Counsel of the House Armed Services Committee. He informed me that there would probably be considerable objection to the proposal for raising the ceiling on employment for retired military officers. Evidently this has become a very hot issue in the Congress as a result of recent proposals which would permit the hiring of two retired military officers by the Immigration and Naturalization Service. Mr. Smart felt that Chairman Vinson might be reluctant to introduce the bill with this provision in it. I told him we would rely on the Chairman's judgment, and that I did not feel that the Agency would want to press strongly for the provision if it might tend to jeopardize the over-all legislation.

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